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New Metro Bus Line 902 to Provide Direct Service Between North Hollywood, Van Nuys and Pacoima

• Limited stops will connect North Hollywood Metro Red Line Station to Valley College and Van Nuys Orange Line Stations without transfers

On Sunday, Dec. 13, The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is scheduled to launch Metro Line 902, a new weekday peak-hour bus service that directly connects North Hollywood, Van Nuys and Pacoima in the San Fernando Valley.

The new line will help relieve congestion on the Metro Orange Line and will eliminate the need for bus and rail passengers at the North Hollywood Metro Red Line Station to transfer to the Orange Line for bus trips ending at Valley College and Van Nuys stations. Transit customers may now conveniently board from Bus Bay 8 and 9 close to the Metro Red Line station portal.

Metro Line 902 is a successful collaboration between Metro and local officials to improve public transit access in the northeast portion of Los Angeles County.

"While building new rail lines to serve more areas of the County, we also must ensure better and more convenient services for people who take the bus," said Antonio Villaraigosa, L.A. City Mayor and Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board Member. "The new line 902 will help move people faster particularly through the North San Fernando Valley and is a great addition to the region."

Buses will operate approximately every 12-15 minutes during the weekday morning and afternoon rush hour periods only. The line travels along Lankershim Boulevard then turns onto Burbank Boulevard to reach Valley College Station. It then continues along Burbank Boulevard before turning northbound on Van Nuys

Boulevard to reach Van Nuys Station, which currently has the second highest station boardings and alightings after the North Hollywood terminus. The line then converts to local service along Van Nuys Boulevard to Pacoima.

The new line provides easy connections to Van Nuys Boulevard shopping, the Van Nuys Civic Center, the Van Nuys Amtrak/Metrolink Station and Pacoima Civic Center, among others.

The base fare for the service is \$1.25. For more information, visit www.metro.net.

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